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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Examiner: E. Slobodyansky TETSUYA YANO ET AL. Group Art Unit: 1652 Application No.: 09/430,029 Filed: October 29, 1999 For: DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING TOLUENE MONOOXYGENASE GENE, RECOMBINANT

PLASMID, TRANSFORMED MICROORGANISM, METHOD FOR DEGRADING CHLORINATED ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS.

AND METHOD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION

April 10, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed to cover the information submission fee.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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